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MOGADISCIO FOR PSO, CPOIC SEABEE TEAM, NAIROBI FOR RSS, RSO

E.O. 11652: GDS-83

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SUBJECT: SEABEE TRAVEL AND PER DIEM

OIC RTC, CPOIC SEABEE TEAM

REF: (A) NAIROBI 4790, (B) MOGADISCIO 685, (C) MOGADISCIO
708, (O) JOINT TRAVEL REGULATIONS (JTR), VOLUME 1

1. SUMMARY: REFTEL (A) ADVISED SEABEE TEAM TRAVEL TO MOGA-
DISCIO, REQUESTED AVAILABILITY OF GOVERNMENT QUARTERS AND
ADVISED LIMITATIONS OF PER DIEM UNDER JTR. REFTEL (B)
STATED GOVERNMENT QUARTERS UNAVAILABLE AND HOTEL ACCOMMODA-
TIONS ARRANGED FOR SEABEE TEAM. REFTEL (C) ADVISED
ARRIVAL OF SEABEE TEAM AT MOGADISCIO AND THAT HOTEL ACCOM-
MODATIONS OF DOLS 21.00 PER DAY EXCEEDED JTR PER DIEM RATE
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OF DOLS 14.50(LODGING 50PER CENT OF PER DIEM, DOLS 14.50
OF DOLS 29.00 PER DAY). -

2. SEABEE TRAVEL HAS BEEN IN RESPONSE TO REQUEST FOR
SUPPORTING SKYLINK INSTALLATION IN COORDINATION WITH WORK
OF OTHER PARTICIPANTS.

3. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REF (D), SPECIAL PER DIEM IS AUTHORIZED WHEN DUTIES OR TRAVEL ARE OF SUCH UNIQUE OR EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES AS TO REQUIRE UNUSUAL HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS AND OTHER EXPENSES. EXTENUATING CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD BE FOR TRAVEL WHICH COULD NOT BE DELAYED UNTIL GOVERNMENT QUARTERS OR HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS WITHIN THE REGULAR PER DIEM RANGE WERE AVAILABLE.

4. IF IN THE POST'S OPINION, SEABEE TRAVEL AND SUPPORT WERE ESSENTIAL, THEN IAW PARA 3, SPECIAL PER DIEM WOULD BE WARRANTED. AS SUCH, POST IS REQUESTED TO PROVIDE SUPPORTING CERTIFICATION WHY THE NATURE OF TDYUTY WAS UNUSUAL AND THE USE OF HOTELS AND/OR RESTAURANTS AT PRICES WELL IN EXCESS OF NORMAL PER DIEM ALLOWANCES WAS NECESSARY AND IN THE INTEREST OF THE GOVERNMENT. CHRISTOPHER

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